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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each of the listed documents is also enclosed. The concise explanation of relevance of the non-English language documents is found in the attached English Abstracts thereof.

These documents were recently cited in the attached European Search Report, issued in a foreign counterpart application on December 8, 2003.

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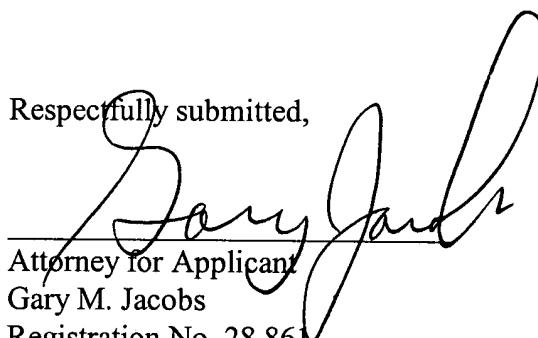
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